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Sir:

In response to the request to comply with Requirements for Patent Applications Containing Nucleotide Sequence and/or Amino Acid Sequence Disclosures, 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.821-1.825, that accompanied the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application mailed May 24, 2004, Applicants submit that the computer-readable form in the instant application is identical with the Sequence Listing submitted on December 1, 1998 for Application No. 08/341,555, with a filing date of June 24, 1996. In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.821(e), please use the last-filed computer-readable form filed in Application No. 08/341,555 as the computer-

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readable form for the instant application. A paper copy of the Sequence Listing from Application No. 08/341,555 is submitted herewith. The information in the paper copy of the Sequence Listing is identical to that which is in the computer readable form submitted on December 1, 1998, as required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.821(f).

It is understood that the Patent and Trademark Office will make the necessary changes in application number and filing date for the computer-readable form that will be used for the instant application.

Please amend the specification in adherence with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.821-1.825 as follows.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 12 of this paper and include both an attached replacement sheet and an annotated sheet showing changes.

Remarks begin on page 13 of this paper.